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Applicant: Li-How Chen et al.
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For: NOVEL MODIFIED NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES AND
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EXPRESSION IN CELL SYSTEMS
Examiner: R. A. Schnizer
Art Unit: 1635

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.104(E)**

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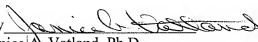
Applicant has received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the July 30, 2009 Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due regarding the above-identified application and does not concede the correctness of the Examiner's statements therein.

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prepared by Applicant and only contains the Examiner's positions in one or more reasons for allowability. Thus, any interpretation with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicant.

Dated: October 30, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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